

Day in the Life: Jhoshua

**Curriculum for Excellence
Planning Exemplars**

Suggested timescale: 40 -50 mins

People in society, economy and business (Social Studies Level 2)

Experiences and Outcomes:

By comparing the lifestyle and culture of citizens in another country with those of Scotland, I can discuss the similarities and differences. SOC 2-19a

This resource is also particularly useful for those taking part in the Pope Francis Faith Award.

Core Themes

- Exploring the daily life of a young child living in Colombia
- Recognising similarities and differences compared to your daily life

Key Learning

This resource provides learners with:

- the real-life experience of a young child living in Colombia
- an opportunity to respond in prayer
- an opportunity to respond to SCIAF's work with faith in action

Teacher Notes

These notes are intended as a guide. Feel free to adapt and change the structure as to suit the individual needs of your pupils/ setting.

Additional resources that could be used to supplement this lesson are listed at the end of this plan.

Prior learning: It can be helpful to recall if the pupils have learned about SCIAF during Lent through our WEE BOX fundraising appeal. Or, they may have had any visits to the classroom or an assembly from a SCIAF representative.

Lesson – Day in the Life, Jhoshua – Surf for Peace

Part 1: Introduction

- Use the Day in the life Jhoshua PowerPoint to introduce SCIAF's work in Colombia.
- Show the Day in the Life video (2 mins 30 seconds)
- Using the questions from the PowerPoint notes discuss some differences and similarities with Jhoshua's day.
- Slides 6 – 13 can help as a visual reminder.

Part 2: Comic Strip

- Ask pupils to draw activities from their daily life in a comic book strip.
- You can use the comic strip template provided or create a digital comic book on iPads using an app like Book Creator.

Part 3: Response in prayer and action

- Show the WEE BOX 2025 Reflection video highlighting our work in Colombia [WEE BOX Reflection - Colombia](#)

Share this prayer:

**Loving God,
We pray for the young people in Chocó
and all places where there is poverty, danger, and fear.**

**May the waves of Your love carry healing to broken places.
May the Holy Spirit inspire us to be builders of peace,
just like the leaders and mentors in Surf for Peace.**

**Help us to listen, to care, and to act with courage.
Show us how to use our gifts to stand up for justice, share hope, and follow Jesus' call.**

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Suggestions for action:

- Fundraise as a class for the Real Gift of 'A Safe Place to Play' providing a safe place for children who have experienced war and conflict to play, to engage with music, art, and sports activities.
- [SCIAF Real Gifts - Safe Place to Play](#)

Resources

- Day in the life Jhoshua PowerPoint presentation
- Day in the life Jhoshua video

Lessons could be supplemented with the following resources:

- SCIAF (About us) Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i9nzYJ_3AG0

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